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SUBJECT: TOKAI ADVANCED SAFEGUARDS TECHNOLOGY MEETING;
AGREED MINUTE

REF: (A) TOKYO 3505; (B) TOKYO 3491

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1. DURING THE SUBJECT MEETING, FEBRUARY 27 TO MARCH 2, US, JAPANESE AND FRENCH REPRESENTATIVES PREPARED AN AD REFERENDUM AGREED MINUTE SUMMARIZING THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROCEDURAL MANNER IN WHICH THE TESTING OF ADVANCED SAFEGUARDS TECHNOLOGY AT THE TOKAI REPROCESSING PLANT WOULD BE CARRIED OUT. THIS MINUTE IS CONTAINED IN REFTEL (A). THE PRELIMINARY DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM OF TESTING, WHICH IS

PART OF THE MINUTE, IS CONTAINED IN REFTEL (B). IT WAS THE EXPECTATION THAT EACH PARTY WOULD NOTIFY THE OTHER PARTIES AS TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS MINUTE.

2. THE UNITED STATES ACCEPTS THIS MINUTE AS THE BASIS FOR IMPLEMENTING THE PROGRAM OF TESTING OF ADVANCED SAFEGUARDS TECHNOLOGY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PNC TOKAI REPROCESSING PLANT. WE ALSO ACCEPT THE PRELIMINARY DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM, ATTACHED TO THE MINUTE, NOTING

THE POSSIBILITY PROVIDED FOR IN PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE MINUTE OF MUTUALLY AGREED CHANGES IN THE PROGRAM AS THE WORK PROGRESSES. WITH RESPECT TO PARAGRAPHS 2 AND 4 OF THE MINUTE, WE NOTE, AS DID THE U.S. REPS DURING THE MEETING IN JAPAN, THAT U.S. PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROGRAM FOR THE TESTING OF ADVANCED SAFEGUARDS TECHNOLOGY WILL INVOLVE ONLY THE PNC REPROCESSING PLANT. THE US IS VERY PLEASED WITH THE PROGRESS MADE DURING THE MEETINGS ON FEBRUARY 27 TO MARCH 2 AND LOOKS FORWARD TO A USEFUL AND IMPORTANT PROGRAM WITH FRANCE AND JAPAN IN COOPERATION WITH IAEA.

3. THE SENIOR TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE US FOR TECHNICAL COORDINATION IN THIS PROGRAM, AS PROVIDED FOR IN PARAGRAPH 7 OF THE MINUTE, WILL BE DR. SAMUEL MCDOWELL, OFFICE OF SAFEGUARDS AND SECURITY, DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20545.
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4. FOR TOKYO: PLEASE PROVIDE THE CONTENT OF PARAS. TWO AND THREE ABOVE BY LETTER TO APPROPRIATE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES.

5. FOR PARIS: PLEASE PROVIDE THE CONTENTS OF PARAS. TWO AND THREE ABOVE BY LETTER TO APPROPRIATE FRENCH AUTHORITIES. EMBASSY MAY WISH TO CONTACT H. PETIT, CEA, LEADER OF THE FRENCH DELEGATION AT THE SUBJECT MEETING, CONCERNING ADDRESSEE OF LETTER.

6. FOR VIENNA: PLEASE INFORM DDG ROMETSCH ON CONTENTS OF PARAS. TWO AND THREE. ALSO STRESS TO ROMETSCH THE IMPORTANCE THE US ATTACHES TO IAEA PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROGRAM. WHILE RECOGNIZING THE HEAVY WORK LOAD ALREADY ON INSPECTION PERSONNEL, THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN THE PROGRAM AS WELL AS PERSONNEL OF THE DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENT IS CRUCIAL TO SUCCESS OF THE PROGRAM. THIS IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT IN CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE PROGRAM SUCH AS THE DEVELOPMENT OF PROCEDURES TO BE USED BY INSPECTORS AND THE TESTING AND EVALUATION OF PROCEDURES AND EQUIPMENTS IN TERMS OF THEIR UTILITY AND SUITABILITY FOR USE BY INSPECTORS. COOPER

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